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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. McNULTY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC, June 6, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL R. McNULTY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Zane Fishel, Temple Baptist Church, Mount Airy, North Carolina, offered the following prayer:

Our Great and Almighty Father, we thank You for the blessings of this day and the opportunity that we have to make a difference in our world.

I pray that Your all-knowing wisdom be granted to each person responsible for the decisions that govern this great Nation. May Your divine leadership be followed as they seek Your paths.

Give Your grace to these Representatives in the face of opposition and Your courage to enable them to stand for truth and right.

We know the issues that face this country are complex and some are seemingly unresolvable. But we look to You for wisdom, knowledge and guidance to assist the men and women with this awesome responsibility.

Make America a stronger Nation by using these individuals to make Godly decisions. God bless our President, our Representatives, and God bless our troops and pour out Your richest blessings on America.

We ask this in the name of our Eternal Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BRADY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BRADY of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution.

S. RES. 220

In the Senate of the United States, June 5, 2007.

Whereas, Senator Craig Thomas had a long and honorable history of public service, serving in the United States Marine Corps, the Wyoming State Legislature, the United States House of Representatives, and the United States Senate;

Whereas, Senator Craig Thomas represented the people of Wyoming with honor and distinction for over 20 years;

Whereas, Senator Craig Thomas was first elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1989;

Whereas, Senator Craig Thomas was subsequently elected 3 times to the United States Senate by record margins of more than 70 percent; and

Whereas, Senator Craig Thomas's life and career were marked by the best of his Western values: hard work, plain speaking, common sense, courage, and integrity: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the United States Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep re-

gret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Craig Thomas, a Senator from the State of Wyoming;

Resolved, That the Senate mourns the loss of one of its most esteemed members, Senator Craig Thomas, and expresses its condolences to the people of Wyoming and to his wife, Susan, and his 4 children;

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate shall communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of Senator Craig Thomas; and

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it shall stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of Senator Craig Thomas.

MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF SENATOR CRAIG THOMAS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The House will rise and observe a moment of silence in memory of Senator Craig Thomas.

WELCOMING THE REVEREND ZANE FISHEL

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Reverend Zane Fishel, who is the House of Representatives' guest chaplain today.

Reverend Fishel comes to us from Pilot Mountain and Mount Airy, North Carolina, where he shepherds the flock at Temple Baptist Church. Reverend Fishel has faithfully served in the ministry of Temple Baptist since 1997 and he became the full-time youth minister in 1999 after sensing a call to serve God in the local church.

With the passing of Temple Baptist's pastor in 2003, Reverend Fishel took up his current role as the church's pastor, where he is devoted to spreading the good news to his congregation and community.

Under his leadership, the church body at Temple Baptist Church in

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